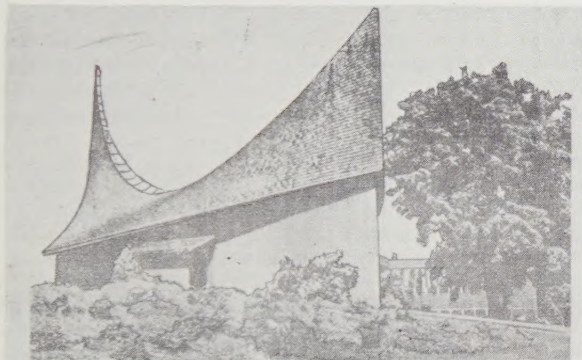


## VANCOUVER CHURCH READY FOR FALL COUNCIL



When the delegates gather for the Fall Conference Council at First Congregational Church, Vancouver, on Friday-Saturday, October 19-20, members of the church will have everything in a state of readiness. Host pastor, the Reverend Louis Taylor, and Mr. Charles Alexander, church liaison with the Program and Arrangements Committee, have recruited the necessary committees to look after housing, meals and meeting needs of the Council delegates.

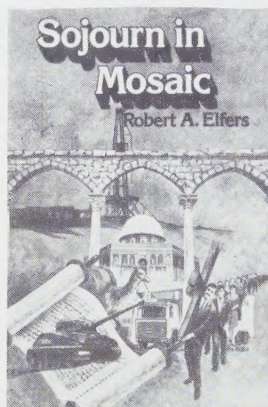
The Council will begin with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Friday evening and conclude no later than 4:00 p.m. Saturday. In the intervening hours, delegates will prepare for voting on the 1980 Budget by reviewing with the Conference Departments their projected programs and budget requests. In addition, members of the Mission Interpretation Task Force have been asked to make a presentation which will explore the program and budget needs of the individual Boards and Committees which the Conference supports through Our Christian World Mission. Finally, there will be a presentation on the New Church Development Fund, authorized by the 1979 Annual Assembly, which will seek to raise \$130,000 during 1980. Conference Moderator, the Reverend Farley Maxwell, pastor of Waverly Heights Church, Portland, will preside at the business session Saturday afternoon at which time action on the budget will be taken.

Interim Conference Minister Gene Ross reminds churches that each church is entitled to three delegates plus an additional delegate under 30. In a further reminder he indicated that ministers with standing in the Conference must be elected as one of the members of the local church delegation if they are to vote. This differs from Assembly where all ministers with standing have automatic voting privileges.

Conference Vice-Moderator and Chairperson of the Program and Arrangements Committee, Sylvia Love, speaking at a meeting planning the Council, indicated that it is most helpful to the ongoing life of the Conference when delegates to the Council are chosen for their familiarity with the ongoing life of the local church. Since the Conference budget is supported by local churches, it should be acted on by persons who know how probable local church support will be for subscribing the total amount.

Registration information has been sent to local churches.

## NEW RESOURCE



Are you an armchair traveler? Do you enjoy sitting down with a good book and, in your mind's eye, travel to far places. Would you walk along the Nile and feel the ripple of the Spirit in the night outside St. Mark's Cathedral in Cairo? Would you be touched by currents of faith that live among refugees and people in Beirut who risk their lives in

faithfulness to Jesus Christ? Would you be immersed with his followers in Jerusalem in the waters of fear, hope, poverty, pain, healing, despair, and love? Then read Sojourn in Mosaic.

Sojourn in Mosaic by Robert A. Elfers is one of the Friendship Press books on this year's Interdenominational Mission Theme: "Middle East Mosaic." Of an extensive, specially-arranged trip to the Middle East made prior to writing this book, Elfers commented "(It was) a magic experience into a world where human passions seem to be most kind and most cruel, where desert lies merciless under the sun across the highway from fields of fruit and vegetables, where tough antiquity wrestles with arrogant technology."

Sojourn in Mosaic is a brief 88-page novel. It is the story of a journey, the journey of two persons through the Middle East on a search---for each other and for a greater understanding of themselves, their faith, and their heritage. Travel with them to Beirut, Cairo, and Jerusalem. Read and enjoy! Sojourn in Mosaic is available from your religious bookstore or agency at \$2.95.

On September 2, PILGRIM COVE celebrated the 50th Anniversary Dedication of RICE MEETING HOUSE. It has been designated a historical site by the Idaho Historical Society. About 200 people attended, including about 25 who were present when the building was erected.

## SCHOLARSHIP LOAN FUND ESTABLISHED

On recommendation of the Women's Board, and a unanimous vote at the Annual Meeting of the United Church of Christ Women, a Scholarship Loan Fund is being established to assist persons preparing for ministry in our churches. A maximum of \$500 per year per student has been determined, with repayment of the loan within five years -- free of interest -- following completion of the course of study. Women's groups across the Conference are participating in this program. Monies are collected in each church and held until Annual Meeting time when there is a special in-gathering of funds. The first year's contribution totaled \$2,606.92. It has been invested in a Tim Certificate.

Following the contributions to be made next Annual Meeting, the Scholarship Committee of the Women's Board will be ready to receive applications for Loans. The Conference procedures will be followed, with applicants contacting the Church & Ministry Department. Final decisions will be made by the Scholarship Committee: Mildred Weitzel, Evelyn Eaton, Karl Vercooter, Anne Smith, and one member of the Conference professional staff.

## KLAMATH FALLS RECEIVES GRANT

First Congregational Church, Klamath Falls, recently was the recipient of a \$1,000 grant from the Division of Health and Welfare, BHM. The grant was given to the support of the KID Center which is an outreach of the church to single parents and their very young children. The Christian Nurture Department had endorsed the grant application. Congratulations to the members of the Klamath Falls Church!

## ROSS BEGINS INTERIM SEARCH COMMITTEE UNDERWAY

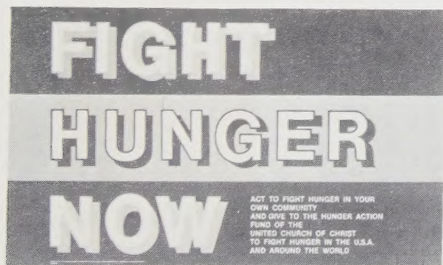
Associate Conference Minister Gene Ross has begun his duties as Interim Conference Minister with the departure of Terry Kawata on August 17. He will serve as Interim while the Conference Minister Search Committee, under the guidance of the Reverend Charles Ross, conducts its search for Kawata's successor. The Committee has received a number of applications over the summertime and will continue to receive new applications until October 1.



## HUNGER ACTION FUND APPEAL

Just a year ago, the world Food Council noted that "up to one-third of all children born alive die from malnutrition or (malnutrition-induced) diseases before the age of five. Many of the rest have their mental development irreversibly impaired by poor nutrition. Many others suffer the consequences of specific dietary deficiencies. Every year at least 100,000 children go blind as a result of severe vitamin A deficiency."

Whether in overseas nations that are just beginning their development or in the already-developed nations of the world, including the United States, nutrition is a life-or-death matter today. The word "hunger" connotes not only starving but also malnourished persons.



"Fight Hunger Now" is the theme of our current promotion of the Hunger Action Fund of the United Church of Christ. Many congregations will be using the time between the annual Neighbors in Need all-church offering on October 7 and Thanksgiving Day, November 22, to inform their members about world hunger and how hunger-related problems may be met through giving to the Hunger Action Fund.

The UCC response to world hunger is multifaceted. We gave almost \$150,000 last year to the Hunger Action Fund to support ecumenical hunger fighting-efforts, systemic approaches to the hunger issue, and some 30 individual hunger-fighting projects, many of them in the U.S.A. In addition, we gave nearly \$10 million to National Basic Support

## NOTED HYMNOLOGIST TO SPEAK

### WORKSHOP OFFERED

Erik Routley, thought by many to be the world's foremost hymnologist, will be lecturing and conducting a workshop on hymns at First Congregational Church, Portland, Saturday, October 27. Dr. Routley's appearance is sponsored by the Annual Helen Oliver Memorial Lectureship established at First Congregational by Egbert Oliver.

The Workshop on Hymns, to be conducted between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., will be divided into 3 sessions: Worship, Music in Worship and Hymn-Singing in Music. The Lectureship on Hymnody will include 2 lectures. The first lecture, scheduled at 5:00 p.m. will focus on "What Luther Started." "Would Luther Be Surprised!" is the topic of the second lecture at 8:00 p.m.

There will be a \$3.00 registration fee for the Workshop on Hymns. The lectures are open to the public, free of charge. Lunch will be available for \$2.00, and dinner at \$3.00, for those who want to make advance reservations. Reservations for meals and the workshop can be made by calling 228-7219.

for Our Christian World Mission, \$2 million of which was spent by our national agencies for ongoing work at home and abroad that relates to helping hungry people. And we gave, through the annual One Great Hour of Sharing all-church offering, another \$1.8 million for emergency needs at home and abroad and for agricultural development overseas.

However, despite all these efforts, we in the United Church of Christ could be doing even more to fight hunger if the funds were made available. The continuation of project grants to important hunger-fighting efforts in the United States and the institution of hunger-related programs that also will strengthen life in rural America depend upon our increased support of the Hunger Action Fund.

WATCH FOR MATERIALS on how you can contribute, GIVE GENEROUSLY and REMEMBER that the needs of hungry people depend upon your response.

## DATES TO REMEMBER



- OCT.**
- 2: WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CLUSTER  
- Condon
  - 5-6-7: WOMEN'S RETREAT  
"Old Contracts/New World"  
- Camp Adams
  - 5: TEACHER ENRICHMENT EVENT  
- First Cong'l. Church, Eugene  
10:00 - 3:00
  - 6: TEACHER ENRICHMENT EVENT  
- Community Church, Cedar Hills  
2:00 - 6:00
  - 11: WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CLUSTER  
- Hillsboro
  - 13: WOMEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
- Interchurch Center  
FAMILY LIFE TASK FORCE  
- Interchurch Center
  - 18: SPIRITUAL GROWTH TASK FORCE  
- Interchurch Center
  - 19: LEADERSHIP & NOMINATIONS COM.  
- Interchurch Center
  - 19-20: FALL COUNCIL  
- First Cong'l., Vancouver
  - 24: WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CLUSTER  
- Knight Memorial, Salem
  - 25: INVESTMENT & PROPERTY COM.  
- Interchurch Center
- NOV.**
- 2-3: CHRISTIAN NURTURE DEPARTMENT  
- Interchurch Center
  - 3: OREGON CAMPING TASK FORCE  
- Interchurch Center

### FORMER CAMP ADAMS MANAGER KILLED

CLARENCE HELMICK, who along with his wife Elberta was Manager of Camp Adams for a number of years, was killed in an industrial accident in Molalla, Oregon, on September 4. His funeral was conducted in Walla Walla on September 7. The Conference Office has communicated condolences to his family on behalf of the churches.

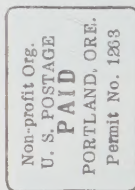
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